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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing a divisional and continuation-in-part Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the Specification, including 18 claims, 17 sheets of drawings, Declaration and Power of Attorney of Michael Lester Kerns and Michael Joseph Rachita for **RUBBER FOR BABY BOTTLE NIPPLES, PACIFIERS AND SYRINGE PLUNGERS**.

Please note that this application is a divisional and continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/273,918 filed on October 18, 2002 (now pending) which claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/359,695, filed on October 19, 2001, and United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/412,833, filed on September 23, 2002.

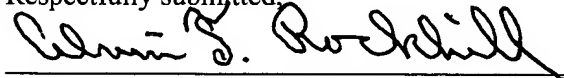
The teachings of United States Patent Application Serial No. <sup>10/</sup>273,918 are incorporated by reference in their entirety into the subject patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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